

June 28, 2007

LEGISLATIVE DAY OF JUNE 28, 2007

110TH CONGRESS - FIRST SESSION

9:50  
P.M. -

On motion to adjourn Agreed to by voice vote.

The  
House adjourned pursuant to H. Con. Res. 179.  
The next meeting is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on July 10, 2007.

Mr.  
Altmire moved that the House do now adjourn.

7:24  
P.M. -

SPECIAL ORDER SPEECHES - The House has concluded all  
anticipated legislative business and has proceeded to Special Order speeches.

7:20  
P.M. -

ONE MINUTE SPEECHES - The House proceeded with further one  
minute speeches.

7:19  
P.M. -

The House received a message from the Senate. The Senate

passed H.R. 1830  
and agreed to H.  
Con. Res. 179.

7:18  
P.M. -

The House received a communication from the Honorable Mr. Gillmor . Mr. Gillmor submitted his resignation from the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The resignation was accepted without objection, without prejudice to Mr. Gillmor's current status of being on leave from the Committee and his seniority.

7:17  
P.M. -

The Speaker designated the Honorable C. A. Dutch Ruppertsberger and the Honorable Elijah E. Cummings to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through July 10, 2007.

7:16  
P.M. -

The House received a communication from Robert A. Brady. As Vice Chairman of the Joint Committee for the 110th Congress, Mr. Brady notified the House of his designation of Rep. Michael E. Capuano of Massachusetts to serve on the U.S. Capitol Preservation Commission in lieu of himself in his role as Vice Chairman of the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library, as provided for in Section 801(c) of Public Law 101-696 (2 U.S.C. 2081 (c)).

7:13  
P.M. -

The House received a message from the Senate. Ordered,  
That the Secretary be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate the bill ( S. 1612) , and  
that upon the compliance of the request, the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make corrections in the engrossment of the aforesaid bill.  
Without objection, the papers were ordered returned to the Senate.

7:12  
P.M. -

Mr. Pallone asked unanimous consent that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on July 11. Agreed to without objection.

H.R. 2900:

to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to enhance the postmarket authorities of the Food and Drug Administration with respect to the safety of drugs, and for other purposes

Mr. Pallone asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Commerce have until midnight on July 9 to file a report on H.R. 2900. Agreed to without objection.

H.R. 2829:

making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes

7:11  
P.M. -

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

On  
passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 240 - 179 (Roll  
no. 606).

7:05  
P.M. -

On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas  
and Nays: 199 - 222 (Roll  
no. 605).

6:48  
P.M. -

The previous question on the motion to recommit with  
instructions was ordered without objection.

6:43  
P.M. -

DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on  
the Lewis (CA) motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained  
in the motion seek to designate funds for the IRS under such bill as available  
only for administering, implementing, and enforcing existing Federal taxes and  
tariffs as enacted on the date of the enactment of such bill.

Mr.  
Lewis (CA) moved to recommit with instructions to Appropriations.

Mr. Lewis of California moves to recommit the bill H.R. 2829 to the  
Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back promptly  
to the House with an amendment designating funding for the Internal Revenue  
Service under such bill as available only for administering, implementing, and  
enforcing existing Federal taxes and tariffs as enacted on the date of the  
enactment of such bill.

6:41  
P.M. -

The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on

the state of the Union to report H.R. 2829.

6:40 P.M.

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On agreeing to the Stearns amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 165 - 257 (Roll  
no. 604).

6:34

P.M. -

On agreeing to the Goode amendment Agreed to by recorded  
vote: 224 - 200 (Roll  
no. 603).

6:30

P.M. -

On agreeing to the Musgrave amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 205 - 220 (Roll  
no. 602).

6:26

P.M. -

On agreeing to the Price (GA) amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 191 - 233 (Roll  
no. 601).

6:24 P.M.

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On agreeing to the Jordan amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 149 - 276 (Roll

no. 600).

6:20  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Pence amendment Agreed to by recorded  
vote: 309 - 115, 1 Present (Roll  
no. 599).

6:15  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Wicker amendment Agreed to by recorded  
vote: 295 - 127 (Roll  
no. 598).

6:11  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Campbell (CA) amendment Failed by  
recorded vote: 48 - 372 (Roll  
no. 597).

6:08  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Emanuel amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 209 - 217 (Roll  
no. 596).

6:04  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Campbell (CA) amendment Failed by  
recorded vote: 107 - 318 (Roll

no. 595).

6:01  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 101 - 325 (Roll  
no. 594).

5:58  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Agreed to by recorded  
vote: 249 - 174 (Roll  
no. 593).

5:54  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 102 - 317 (Roll  
no. 592).

5:51  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 60 - 361 (Roll  
no. 591).

5:48  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 87 - 335 (Roll

no. 590).

5:45  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Souder amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 208 - 216 (Roll  
no. 589).

5:41  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Garrett (NJ) amendment Agreed to by  
recorded vote: 267 - 154 (Roll  
no. 588).

5:37  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Davis,  
Tom amendment Failed by recorded vote: 146 - 279 (Roll  
no. 587).

5:32  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Price (GA) amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 158 - 268 (Roll  
no. 586).

5:27  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the DeFazio amendment Failed by recorded  
vote: 95 - 320 (Roll



no. 585).

5:23  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Cardoza amendment Agreed to by recorded  
vote: 281 - 144 (Roll  
no. 584).

4:58  
P.M. -

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - The Chair announced that the  
unfinished business was the question of adoption of amendments which had been  
debated earlier and on which further proceedings had been postponed.

H.R. 2829:

making appropriations for financial services and general  
government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other  
purposes

4:56  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the  
Stearns amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and  
by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Stearns demanded a  
recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of  
adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

4:36  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the

Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Stearns amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Stearns.

An amendment to prohibit funds to be used by the Internal Revenue Service to implement a Spanish-language version of the "Where's my Refund?" service.

4:35  
P.M. -

The House resolved into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration.

4:34  
P.M. -

Considered as unfinished business.

H. Con. Res. 179:

providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

On  
agreeing to the resolution Agreed to without objection.

4:32  
P.M. -

Considered as privileged matter.

H.R. 2829:

making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes

Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union rises leaving H.R. 2829 as unfinished business.

4:31  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Goode amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Goode demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

4:26  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Goode amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Goode.

An amendment to prohibit funds to be used to implement or enforce the Health Care Benefits Expansion Act of 1992.

4:25  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Musgrave amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mrs. Musgrave demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

4:03  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 30 minutes of debate on the Musgrave amendment.

4:02  
P.M. -

Amendment offered by Mrs. Musgrave.

An amendment to require that each amount appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act is hereby reduced by 0.5 percent.

Mr.  
Serrano raised a point of order against the Kingston amendment Mr. Serrano stated that the amendment seeks to change existing law and constitutes legislation in an appropriation bill. The Chair sustained the point of order.

4:00  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Kingston amendment, pending reservation of a point of order.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Kingston.

An amendment to prohibit funds to be use to enter into a contract with an entity that does not participate in the basic pilot program described in the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996.

3:59  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Price(GA) amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Price(GA) demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

3:23  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 30 minutes of debate on the Price (GA) amendment, pending reservation of a point of order.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Price (GA).

An amendment to reduce appropriations in the bill by \$214,340,000.

3:22  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the

Jordan

amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Jordan demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

2:51

P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 30 minutes of debate on the Jordan amendment.

Amendment

offered by Mr. Jordan.

An amendment numbered 31 printed in the Congressional Record to provide that each amount appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act that is not required to be appropriated or otherwise made available by a provision of law is reduced by 8.9 percent.

POSTPONED

PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Pence amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Pence demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

2:00

P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 40 minutes of debate on the Pence amendment.

Amendment

offered by Mr. Pence.

An amendment to prohibit the use of funds to be used by the Federal Communications Commission to implement the Fairness Doctrine, as repealed in General Fairness Doctrine Obligations of Broadcast Licensees or any other regulations having the same substances.

1:59  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Wicker amendment the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Wicker demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

1:49  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Wicker amendment, pending reservation of a point of order. Subsequently, the reservation was removed.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Wicker.

An amendment to limit the use of funds to implement section 5112 of title 31 United States Code.

1:45  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Campbell (CA) amendment, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Campbell (CA) demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

1:25  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Campbell (CA) amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Campbell (CA).

An amendment to prohibit use of funds for a list of sundry projects contained in the bill.

1:24  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Campbell (CA) amendment Failed by voice vote.

1:14  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Campbell (CA) amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Campbell (CA).

An amendment to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Wittenberg University East Asian Study Center.

POSTPONED  
PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Emanuel amendment, the Chair



put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Emanuel demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

12:52  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Emanuel amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Emanuel.

An amendment to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Office of the Vice President.

12:51  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Campbell (CA) amendment, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Campbell (CA) demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

12:38  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Campbell (CA) amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Campbell (CA).

An amendment to prohibit use of funds for the Abraham Lincoln National Airport Commission.

On  
agreeing to the DeFazio amendment Agreed to by voice vote.

12:37  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous special order, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the DeFazio amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. DeFazio.

An amendment numbered 9 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit use of funds in the bill for the Selective Service System to prepare for, plan, or execute the Area Office Mobilization Prototype Exercise.

12:36  
P.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Flake amendment No. 22, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Flake demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

12:25  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 22.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 22 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit the use of funds for the West Virginia University Research Corporation for renovations of a small business incubator.

On  
agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by voice vote.

12:15 P.M.

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DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 28.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 28 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit the use of funds for the Advantage West Economic Development Group, Certified Entrepreneurial Community Program.

12:14  
P.M. -

On agreeing to the Flake amendment Failed by voice vote.

12:04  
P.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 17.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 17 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit the use of funds for the Fairplex Trade and Conference Center, Pomona, California.

By  
unanimous consent, the Wolf amendment was withdrawn.

11:59  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Wolf amendment, pending reservation of a point of order.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Wolf.

An amendment numbered 14 printed in the Congressional Record to establish funding for a budget and entitlement reform commission.

By  
unanimous consent, the Ellsworth amendment was withdrawn.

11:55 A.M.  
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DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the

Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Ellsworth amendment, pending reservation of a point of order.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Ellsworth.

An amendment numbered 10 printed in the Congressional  
Record to prohibit the uses of funds for certain contractors with tax debt.

POSTPONED  
PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Flake amendment No. 19, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Flake demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

11:39  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the  
Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 19.

11:38  
A.M. -

Amendment offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 19 printed in the Congressional Record  
to prohibit the use of funds to be used for the Mitchell County Development Foundation, Inc. for the Home of the Perfect Christmas Tree Project.

POSTPONED  
PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Flake amendment No. 21, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Flake demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

11:31  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 21.

11:30  
A.M. -

Amendment offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 21 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit the use of funds for the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association, SPUR Urban Center.

11:25  
A.M. -

Mr. McCrery raised a point of order against the content of the measure. Mr. McCrery stated that section 106 of the bill exceeded the scope of the bill. The Chair sustained the point of order.

11:17  
A.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Flake amendment, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Flake demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

11:04

A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment to prohibit the use of funds to be used for a project for Barracks Row Main Street, Inc.

11:03  
A.M. -

POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Flake amendment No. 18, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Flake demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the amendment until later in the legislative day.

10:53  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Flake amendment No. 18.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Flake.

An amendment numbered 18 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit funds for the Grace Johnstown Area Regional Industries Incubator and Workforce Development program.

10:52

A.M. -

Mr. Serrano raised a point of order against the Lucas amendment Mr. Serrano stated that the amendment seeks to change existing law and constitutes legislation in an appropriation bill. The Chair sustained the point of order.

10:49  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Lucas (OK) amendment pending a reservation of a point of order.

Amendment  
offered by Mr. Lucas.

An amendment numbered 34 printed in the Congressional Record to prohibit the use of funds to be used by United States Government to seize or otherwise take possession of, other than for value given in a sale or exchange, any coins, medal or numismatic item made by the U.S. Government.

10:48  
A.M. -

On agreeing to the Moran (KS) amendment Agreed to by voice vote.

10:34  
A.M. -

DEBATE - Pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Moran (KS) amendment.



Amendment  
offered by Mr. Moran (KS).

An amendment to prohibit funds to be used to administer, implement, or enforce the amendment made in section 515.533 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations, that was published in the Federal Register on Feb. 25, 2005.

10:33  
A.M. -

The House resolved into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration.

Considered  
as unfinished business.

S. 1704:

to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

10:32  
A.M. -

On passage Passed without objection.

Considered  
by unanimous consent.

Mr.  
Bishop (NY) asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.

10:06  
A.M. -

ONE MINUTE SPEECHES - The House proceeded with one minute speeches which by direction of the chair, would be limited to 10 per side of the aisle.

10:05  
A.M. -

The Senate request the return of papers on S. 1612.

10:03  
A.M. -

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The Chair designated Mr. Conaway to lead the Members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The  
Speaker announced approval of the Journal. Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

10:01  
A.M. -

Today's prayer was offered by Rev. Erin Conaway, South Main Baptist Church, Houston, Texas

The

Speaker designated the Honorable Betty McCollum to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

10:00  
A.M. -

The House convened, starting a new legislative day.